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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Appln. No.: 09/576,951

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner
of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated August 7, 2001, in the above-identified application, for which a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, along with payment of the appropriate fee, is attached, making response due on or before February 7, 2002.

The Patent Office is authorized to charge any fees necessary for the continued pendency of the above-identified application to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Accordingly, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 33. (Amended) A monoclonal antibody having binding specificity for a rapamycin, wherein said antibody is obtained using an immunogen comprising a molecule selected from the group consisting of a rapamycin having a linking group at the